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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Serial No.: 09/826,602

Group Art Unit: 2612

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Title: FRONT-END DEVICE FOR CCD WITH HYBRID SAMPLER

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants hereby petitions for an extension of four months to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed on May 14, 2001; because of this extension the time period for response will expire on November 14, 2001. Filed herewith is a complete response to said Notice.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1270 in the amount of \$1,440.00, the fee for this extension; and charge any additional fees except for the Issue Fee, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

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Respectfully submitted,

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